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Title: Beverage compositions comprising arabinogalactan and defined minerals

Date Mailed:03/18/2002

Request for Substitute Papers

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CONFIRMATION NO. 3459

FORMALITIES LETTER

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

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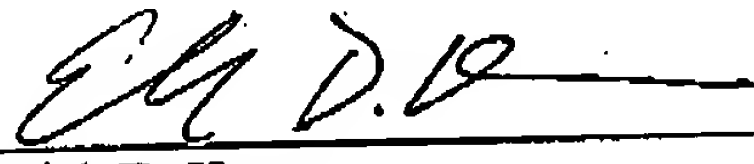
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HAILE (NMN) MEHANSO, et al. :
Serial No. 09/939,386 : Group Art Unit: 1761
Confirmation No. 3459 : Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Filed: August 24, 2001 :

For BEVERAGE COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING ARABINOGALACTAN AND DEFINED MINERALS

RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR SUBSTITUTE PAPERS

On November 28, 2001 Applicants' submitted a complete and timely Response to a Notice to File Missing Parts. On March 21, 2002 Applicants received a Request for Substitute Papers, stating that though received, the above-identified papers were no longer in condition to become part of the permanent records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office (37 CFR 1.52(a)) for the above-referenced application due to the United States Postal Service mail sanitation process. Applicants hereby submit copies of the above-identified papers as requested. The enclosed papers are a complete and accurate copy of the above-identified papers.

Respectfully submitted,

By 
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Date: March 26, 2002

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COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

[X] This replies to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application (PTO-1533) mailed September 28, 2001. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application-Filing Date Granted (Form PTO-1533) is enclosed.

[X] No declaration or oath was filed. Enclosed is the original declaration or oath for this application.

[] The declaration or oath that was filed was determined to be defective. A new original oath or declaration is attached.

[] The Provisional Application for Patent Cover Sheet (PTO/SB/16) that was filed was determined to be defective. A new cover sheet is attached.

[] This replies to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed _____. A copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers is enclosed. To complete the informalities noted on the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers, applicant submits herewith:

[] New drawings complying with the size requirements (in compliance with 37 CFR §1.84);

[] Drawings of sufficient quality to readily use the patent application publication as a prior art document;

[] Specification of sufficient quality for optical character recognition (OCR) conversion of image to text;

[] Title and/or Abstract in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.72;

[] Sequence listings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.821 *et seq.*

[] Other (please specify). _____

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☐ The Commissioner is also hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to grant any extension of time needed for timely response to the Notice to File Missing Parts to preserve the pendency of the above-identified application. The processing fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) is as follows:

- ☐ \$110.00 for one-month extension of time;
- ☐ \$390.00 for two-month extension of time;
- ☐ \$890.00 for three-month extension of time.

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Respectfully submitted,

By Kelly L. McDow-Dunham
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First Named Inventor	Halle (NMN) Mehansho
Examiner Name	Not Yet Assigned
Group/Art Unit	1761
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101 740	Utility filing fee	0
106 330	Design filing fee	0
108 740	Reissue filing fee	0
114 160	Provisional filing fee	0

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$0)**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES - Large Entity**

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Independent Claims	0 - 3** = 0	0 =	0
Multiple Dependent		0 =	0

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103 18	Claims in excess of 20
102 84	Independent claims in excess of 3
104 280	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109 84	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
110 18	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 & over original patent

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105 130	Surcharge-late filing fee or oath	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
127 50	Surcharge-late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	0
139 130	Non-English specification	0
147 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	0
112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner's action	0
113 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner's action	0
115 110	Extension for reply within 1 st month	0
116 400	Extension for reply within 2 nd month	0
117 920	Extension for reply within 3 rd month	0
118 1,440	Extension for reply within 4 th month	0
128 1,960	Extension for reply within 5 th month	0
119 320	Notice of Appeal	0
120 320	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	0
121 280	Request for oral hearing	0
138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	0
140 110	Petition to revive - unavoidable	0
141 1,280	Petition to revive - unintentional	0
142 1,280	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	0
143 460	Design issue fee	0
122 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	0
123 50	Petitions related to provisional applications	0
126 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	0
146 740	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	0
149 740	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	0
179 740	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	0
169 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	0
091 1280	Acceptance of unintentionally delayed claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119, 120, 121, or 365 (a) or (c)	0
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